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HOUSE BILL 1626

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By Representatives Van Luven, Morris, Campbell, Hargrove and Dickerson

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1            AN ACT Relating to tax exemptions for medicines prescribed by  
2 naturopaths; amending RCW 82.08.0283 and 82.12.0277; providing an  
3 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.08.0283 and 1991 c 250 s 2 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 shall not apply to sales of  
8 insulin; prosthetic and orthotic devices prescribed for an individual  
9 by a person licensed under chapters 18.25, 18.57, or 18.71 RCW or  
10 dispensed or fitted by a person licensed under chapter 18.35 RCW;  
11 medicines of mineral, animal, and botanical origin prescribed,  
12 administered, dispensed, or used in the treatment of an individual by  
13 a person licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW; ostomic items; and  
14 medically prescribed oxygen. For the purposes of this section,  
15 "medically prescribed oxygen" includes, but is not limited to, sale or  
16 rental of oxygen concentrator systems, oxygen enricher systems, liquid  
17 oxygen systems, and gaseous, bottled oxygen systems to an individual  
18 under a prescription issued by a person licensed under chapter 18.57 or  
19 18.71 RCW for use in the medical treatment of that individual.

1       **Sec. 2.** RCW 82.12.0277 and 1991 c 250 s 3 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       The provisions of this chapter shall not apply in respect to the  
4 use of insulin; prosthetic and orthotic devices prescribed for an  
5 individual by a person licensed under chapters 18.25, 18.57, or 18.71  
6 RCW or dispensed or fitted by a person licensed under chapter 18.35  
7 RCW; medicines of mineral, animal, and botanical origin prescribed,  
8 administered, dispensed, or used in the treatment of an individual by  
9 a person licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW; ostomic items; and  
10 medically prescribed oxygen. For the purposes of this section,  
11 "medically prescribed oxygen" includes, but is not limited to, sale or  
12 rental of oxygen concentrator systems, oxygen enricher systems, liquid  
13 oxygen systems, and gaseous, bottled oxygen systems to an individual  
14 under a prescription issued by a person licensed under chapter 18.57 or  
15 18.71 RCW for use in the medical treatment of that individual.

16       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
18 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
19 effect July 1, 1995.

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